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## Pastor's Perspective...



by Pastor Dan Hansen

*Simon Peter answered Him,  
"Lord, to whom shall we go? You  
have the words of eternal life." -  
John 6:68*

### 1) On our vision for discipleship & education...

As you know, one of our "core values" here at Faith Community is to be a "Bible-centered" church. I suspect that a "life-long Lutheran" visiting our church for the first time, might notice the Biblical emphasis here as worshipers turn to their Bibles for the lessons and sermons. I forwarded an article to [fclnews@fclc.org](mailto:fclnews@fclc.org) from Luther Seminary recently that they have begun using bibles rather than bulletin inserts in their chapel services now.

Additionally, if you check out our church website, and click on "Small Groups" from our Main Menu, you'll notice over 25 opportunities for Bible study EACH WEEK. If someone were to ask me the "secret" of FCLC's vitality & growth, I'd be very tempted to say that this Biblical emphasis is a big part of our story. Would you agree? After all, Simon Peter's

proclamation is our proclamation as well, "You have the words of eternal life!" **Please prayerfully consider joining a Bible study this fall!**

### 2) On our vision for worship...

It's been a strong summer and our average weekly attendance continues to be over 500 and up over last year. Many thanks to our worship teams for serving so generously! Once again, it seemed to work well for each of our teams to carry over their music from month-to-month, and it also seemed to work well to have the same liturgy for both Sunday services--which was easier for laying out our bulletins. I'm particularly pleased with how well our "blended worship" is going. For example, this past Sunday, I'd be tempted to say that "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" was one of the strongest songs of the morning—yet moments later as we ended the service with "Will the Circle Be Unbroken," some were moved to clap along with the song.

Psalm 105:4 says, "...praise Him with tambourine and dancing, praise Him with the string and flute, praise Him with the clash of cymbals...Let everything that has breath praise the Lord." Indeed, out of the corner of my eye recently I spotted a little girl "dancing" in the front row as we sang our closing song. What marvelous illustration of the joy of worship!

We realize that you'll probably find some songs more meaningful than others, but hopefully each worship service has a little something for everyone. Sometimes a song may not inspire us personally that much, but if it touches the heart of our neighbor, then heaven rejoices! Just as our church has been blessed with all kinds of new growth, so too, our worship and music repertoire is growing! Interestingly, we're noticing that with the growing popularity of Christian radio (see our bulletin!), many of you are familiar with our new songs before we've even introduced them!

### 3) On our Saturday service...

We continue to average about 70-100 at our worship on Saturday evenings and we thank you for remembering this worship option as best fits your schedules. We anticipate that as we grow, we may eventually need to staff the nursery, but, in the meantime, we plan to simply have the nursery open and available for any families that might have need. When possible, we may invite some of our youth attending on Saturdays to be ready to offer assistance in the nursery if we see a possible opportunity.

4) **On our stewardship...** Can you help? Although offerings have been 87% of budget (which is fairly normal for August), nevertheless, we have an ambitious goal of trying to pay off our new education expansion by the end of this year (which is when our 3-year pledges end). Please prayerfully consider a response in proportion to how you've been blessed. As a church, God has shown us so many times that *"Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously."*

### 5) On our worship prayers in worship...

Thanks for your "eager" prayers! I know that there is nothing wrong with praying silently, but a special word of

encouragement to all of you—especially our staff, council, ministry committees and Sunday School teachers—please remember to faithfully lift up your ministries and concerns as a part of our worship services. It may very well be that our prayer time says more about us as a congregation than our music, or our preaching, or our teaching, so let's let our light shine!

### 6) On our new Parish Associate position...

After many months of meetings and study and discussion, we are excited to announce that **Ed Broestl has been selected to serve as our new Parish Associate**. We were pleasantly surprised to have over 12 applicants for this position and because of the fine quality of the resumes, we found the selection process to be quite a challenge—particularly in the final stages. But what a blessing to have so many fine candidates interested in serving here at FCLC! The main thrust of this new position is supervision and support of staff and council ministries—particularly support of Outreach, Stewardship and Property. If you see me smiling a lot, it's because I'm eager to go back to doing more work as a pastor and less work as a manager...alleluia! 😊 Again, we can't thank you enough for all your prayers and patience and support. At the time of this writing, we anticipate that Ed will begin the 1st or 2nd week of Sept.

### 7) On our fall schedule...

You'll notice that we're now observing a lunch hour so that our office hours are 8:30 - 12:00 and 1:00 - 4:30, M - F. Just a friendly FYI...since I'm working a lot of evenings (and weekends...ha!) I'll often extend my "lunch time" a bit to exercise and run errands. Lot's of planning has been happening for our fall Sunday school, confirmation classes, choir, worship teams, and Wednesday Night Live as we look forward to our SECOND FALL in our expanded education wing, so we hope you can join us and that you'll invite your friends!

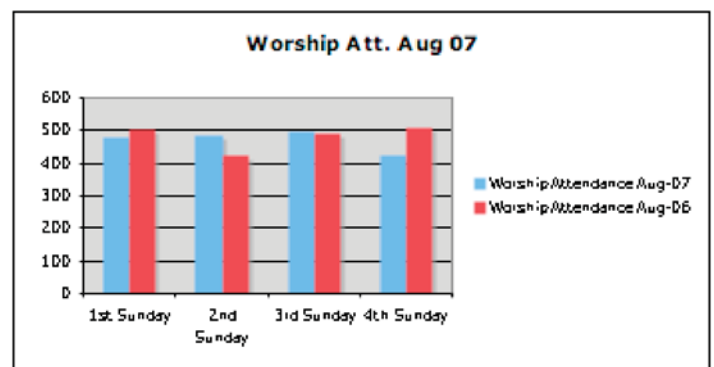
Your partner in ministry,  
Pastor Dan

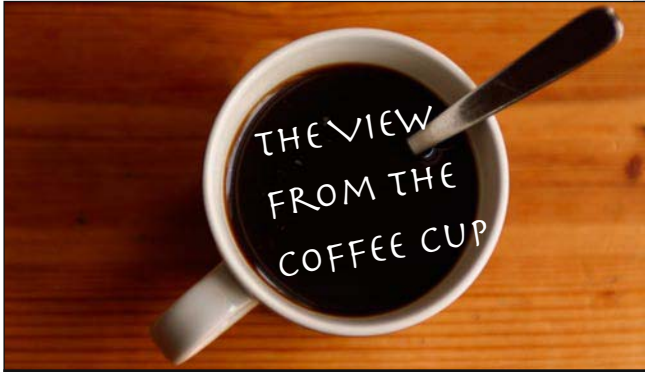


## Worship Attendance

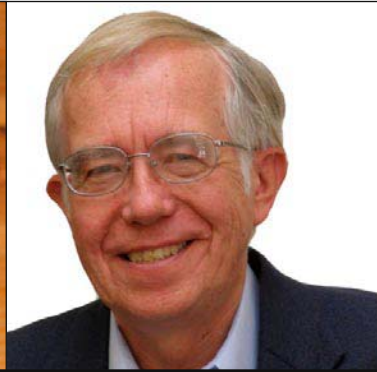
## Attendance

	Aug-07	Aug-06
1st Sunday	476	501
2nd Sunday	485	420
3rd Sunday	498	491
4th Sunday	424	506





by Pastor Bruce Welander



In many ways, this is my favorite time of year. I love almost everything about autumn (other than having to rake leaves in October). That certainly includes what happens in church in this wonderful phase of the calendar.

Rally Day (on September 9th this year) is always a day of high energy for me, as Sunday school classes resume their full fall schedules. This year, it means that in the class that I teach on Sunday mornings, we'll be back to our week-by-week study of **"Here We Stand: What Lutherans Believe and Why."**

Although I began this course several months ago – and continued on several summer Sundays with variations on the theme – we'll be getting back to our original project of exploring very systematically some of the documents that are vital in proclaiming the Christian faith through Lutheran lenses. We are currently a little less than halfway through the Augsburg Confession, a very significant statement of Lutheran positions written in 1530, when it was hoped that reconciliation with the entire Catholic Church would be possible.

We are looking closely, paragraph by paragraph, at what this confession says about key items of Christian faith and life. Following that, we'll probe Martin Luther's Small Catechism, with profuse sprinklings from his Large Catechism as well.

Over the years, many people who were confirmed as Lutherans "once upon a time" have told me that they wish that they could re-take those classes now that they are adults. That's what we are doing in this class.

Another very important objective is to become more confident in articulating the Christian faith. It helps when we know what we believe – and why. This class in **"Here We Stand"** should help us to understand that much more fully.

We live in an age in which there is often great confusion about beliefs. It is also a time that tends to

undervalue the *importance* of beliefs. Therefore, it is a day when it is particularly important to understand and to be able to express our faith. As Pastor Peter Marshall once put it, "You have to stand for something, lest you fall for anything." That is one of the important reasons for **"Here We Stand."**

One of the very significant resources that we have in sharpening and articulating our own faith is the knowledge of the way our Protestant ancestors have expressed their core Biblical convictions in the past. Again, this is what we are doing in this course, and, although we are looking primarily at key Lutheran teachings, we do touch on other important articulations of the faith as well.

Another value of this class relates to the fact that quite a number of people who come to Faith Community have not been involved in a Lutheran church before. **"Here We Stand"** should make Lutheran theological and Biblical roots more understandable.

In many of the courses that I teach here, I know in advance just how many sessions the series will involve. But as we explore where we stand, I keep things open-ended, taking as much (or as little) time as needed to probe various key points of the faith. Often there are spontaneous discussions and the raising of questions about a particular topic. That, to me, is a cue to slow down and to be sure that we cover the matter in sufficient depth.

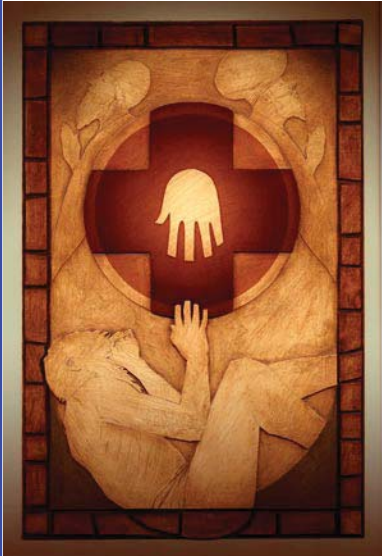
If you haven't attended one of these classes before, let me suggest that Sunday, September 9, would be a particularly good time to give it a try. We're still far closer to the beginning of this course than to its conclusion. We'd love to have you join us as we explore where we stand.

In Christ's Love,

Pastor Bruce Welander



## Good Samaritan Fund



Did you know that Faith Community Lutheran has a Good Samaritan Fund? This fund was set up several years ago with the purpose to provide direct emergency financial assistance to people in need.

It is aimed towards helping those attending FCLC who need a little extra help or are in a time of a disaster (lost job, accident, fire, etc).

Money from the fund is also used to help people who are sponsored by an FCLC member or someone referred by a local non-profit organization. Currently a portion of the incoming offering goes to this fund, but all members are welcome to contribute to it anytime (just designate your gift to go to the "Good Samaritan Fund"). For questions about the application process, please contact Susan Moller (sue@fclc.org)

## The next Orientation to FCLC is soon upon us.

Contact the church office at 303-776-8771, or via email Janelle@fclc.org or stop by the office at any time. God's peace to you!

1. November 4th 6 – 7:30 pm Orientation Session
2. November 11th 9:45 - 10:45 am Orientation Session#2 (during Sunday school hour)

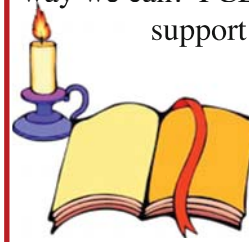
You will be received into FCLC membership on November 5th at the 11:00 am service.

Luncheon to follow for new FCLC members, Council and Staff.

May we add your name to our list?

## Seminary Scholarship Fund

Are you considering serving the Lord by going into the Seminary? We want to support you in any way we can! FCLC Outreach has a fund setup to support students attending Seminary.



Please contact the Outreach Committee (outreach@fclc.org) if you're interested in the application process for tuition reimbursement

## September Wedding Anniversaries



### September 2

Harold & Ann Whitefoot – 51 yrs

Kirk & Pam Lind – 18 yrs

### September 3

Bob & Nanette Goings – 24 yrs

### September 7

Patrick & Evelyn Cordes – 29 yrs

### September 8

Carl & Connie Backes – 40 yrs

### September 9

Dan & Darlene Nehls – 46 yrs

Andy & Torey Taylor-Goldfarb – 18 yrs

Tim & Kari Uecker – 12 yrs

### September 11

Curt & Lisa Lewis – 24 yrs

### September 12

Leroy & Nadine Heidt – 53 yrs

Mike & Maria O'Brien – 17 yrs

### September 13

Phil & Brenda Spreier – 10 yrs

### September 16

Lee & Melanie Quaintance – 12 yrs

### September 20

Ed & Ethel Owens – 39 yrs

Paul & Natalie James – 4 yrs

### September 22

Roy & Lois Ward – 56 yrs

### September 23

Mark & Joan Flowers – 50 yrs

### September 25

Gabriel & Jamie Wallace-Vigil – 3 yrs

### September 26

Matt & Cathi Brents – 8 yrs

### September 29

George & Christine Goble – 17 yrs

# FCLC Christian Education News



## Congratulations, Faith Community Lutheran Top Summer Readers!

Each child read/or had read to them, over 15 books checked out from our church library in just a two-month period! In conjunction with our learning about circuit riding preachers and the work they did, we learned a little bit more about horses when we visited the amazing Colorado Therapeutic Riding Center and delivered the 10 salt blocks that were earned by reading all of those books! The salt blocks will provide needed salt to 5 of their horses for almost a year. (Not

pictured in the top readers: Anna Kramer, Alex Hovick and Kathryn Mathiesen.)

**The total number of books checked out and read from FCLC's library during the Circuit Readers program: 534** (Longer books counted for more than 1 credit toward the salt blocks and the number of credits was well over the 700 needed for the ten salt blocks.)

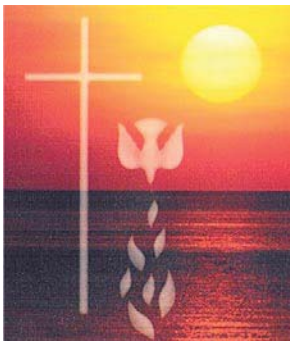
**Number of participants: 77.** . .15 adults are included in that number

## 10,000 Step A Day: Walking Program begins September 9!

### Register your team today!



Beginning September 9, and continuing for **10** weeks, the Health and Wellness Committee will be sponsoring a **10,000 Steps A Day Team Walking Challenge**. So, find 4-6 friends to be your teammates **AND pick up an information packet on the bulletin board across the hall from the church office**. Teams need to be registered prior to September 9!



## **Confirmation Orientation for all middle school students AND parents!**

***Wednesday, September 5, 6-7:15 pm. Acolyte sign-up will also take place that evening.***

## **GOT QUESTIONS?**

Director of Christian Education:

Nanette Goings

[nanette@fclc.org](mailto:nanette@fclc.org)

Education Chairperson:

Rhea Hoops

[hoopsrd@msn.com](mailto:hoopsrd@msn.com)

## Rally Sunday is coming! September 9, 9:45-10:45 am

**Hey kids!** Jump right in to fun Bible learning by discovering more about the Apostle Paul who persecuted, believed, traveled, wrote and suffered for his beliefs. Preschool – 5th graders begin in room 126 on September 9. **(Don't forget to bring your Bible Bucks as the Bible Bucks Store will be open that day too!)**

**Hey Adults!** Three options of Adult Bible Classes offered just for you beginning on Rally Sunday and continuing through Fall!

**Option #1: Here We Stand: What Lutherans Believe and Why**

Pastor Bruce uses lectures and audio-visuals to explore key documents of the Lutheran

understanding of the Christian faith, including the Augsburg Confession and Luther's Catechism. Meets in Sunrise Room 226.

**Option #2: A Study of the Gospel of John**

John Benson will be leading and facilitating discussion of this Bible book. The class periods will include reading from God's Word, responding to prepared questions, and sharing with other class members. While this is developed as a comprehensive study, it is also very easy to jump into at any time. Come and see how Jesus is the source of Light, Love and Life for the world.

**Option #3: Digging Deeper with Pastor Dan**

Dig deeper with Pastor Dan into the Bible texts of the day. Enjoy the big Bible discussion with a small group dynamic. Meets in Sunset Room 230.

## "A Taste of Skinny"-Sunday, September 30, 6-7:30 pm

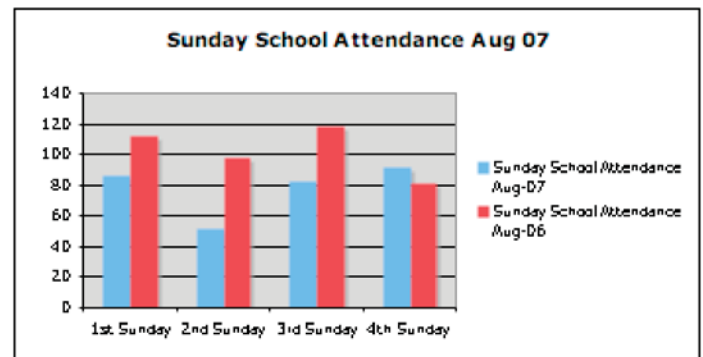
Join the Great Dates Couples Bible Study group as they cook, sample and savor tasty tidbits from the new Faith Community Lutheran cookbook, *A Taste of Skinny*. Food related Bible passages, nutritional information and lots of laughter will fill the evening. Hot-off-the-presses-cookbooks will be available for purchase that evening too! Sponsored by the Faith Community Lutheran Health and Wellness Ministry. Questions? Contact nanette@fcllc.org

## Dates to Remember

September 1	8:30 am	FitBall Bible Study (Every Sat. morning)
September 5	6:00-7:15 pm	Confirmation Orientation (Every Wed.)
September 6	9:30-11 am	Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study begins <i>Luther's Down to Earth Approach to the Gospel</i>
September 9	8:15 am	Installation of all Christian Education Volunteers
September 9	9:45-10:45 am	Rally Sunday (THEME: Paul)
September 9		Kick-Off of 10 Week Walking Challenge
September 12	6-7:20 pm	Confirmation/Wednesday Night Live
September 24	7:00 pm	Weavers of the Cloth (4th Mon. each month)
September 30	9:00-11 am	Blood Pressure Check
September 30	6:00 pm	"The Taste of Skinny" Great Dates Date Night

## Sunday School Attendance

	Aug-07	Aug-06
1st Sunday	86	112
2nd Sunday	52	97
3rd Sunday	82	118
4th Sunday	91	81



Attendance



# Outreach News

## September Coat Drive

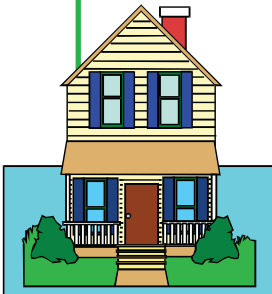
We need your old coats! What better time to clean out your closets, right? FCLC Outreach Committee will be sponsoring a Coat Drive this month. ***Please bring your used coats and hang them in the coat racks across from the mailboxes by Sunday, September 30.*** All donated coats will be given to those in need through the OUR Center Clothing Bank and HOPE organizations.



## Outreach Opportunity

The Habitat for Humanity (H4H) of the St. Vrain Valley is an amazing Christian organization geared to reach out to people in need by building affordable houses

in Longmont. More information can be found on their website at: [www.stvrainhfh.org](http://www.stvrainhfh.org). They have just completed building their 3rd house in 2007 (1334 Carriage Dr.) which was dedicated to the new owners on August 19, 2007. Thanks to all the generous monetary donations, Habitat for Humanity is able to set their goal of building 5 houses in Longmont this year.. only 2 more to go! Their current worksites are in SE Longmont in the Quail Ridge Development at 1328 Carriage Dr. and 1331 S. Kimbark St. FCLC Outreach partnered with them many years ago and is a strong supporter of all that they do. ***Please consider getting more involved with the community of Longmont by volunteering your time with Habitat for Humanity!***



**Sat., Sept 29 from 8am-4pm:** FCLC Outreach would like to get a group of 10 workers to volunteer to spend their day working on building a house. Since it is often "on the job training", volunteers can have little or no skills as they work along other skilled workers. This is a wonderful fellowship opportunity too. Bethlehem Lutheran (Longmont) and Mt. Calvary Lutheran (Boulder) churches will also have groups of people there on this day, so it's a perfect opportunity to meet other Lutherans in the community! If you're interested in this project, please contact Tami Musfeldt ([tami.m@comcast.net](mailto:tami.m@comcast.net))

## Thank YOUs

A BIG Thank YOU goes out to all those who graciously volunteered their time to pre-make and serve the "Hearty Italian Meal" on Saturday, August 18. The meal was enjoyed by the 40 volunteer workers at Habitat for Humanity. The next lunch serving will be on Sat, November 17. If you are able to help with this, please contact Veta Hartman ([hartmanv@comcast.net](mailto:hartmanv@comcast.net))



## Got Outreach Ideas?

Do you have any project ideas that FCLC can get involved with to reach out to our community? Or, do you have any thoughts on who FCLC supports financially? In the next couple of months, the FCLC Outreach Committee will be discussing our Outreach Financial Distribution & Budget. If you have a charity you'd like to support, or if you're interested in getting involved with this financial decision process, please contact Tami Musfeldt ([tami.m@comcast.net](mailto:tami.m@comcast.net)) or Karen Odegard ([lkodegard@msn.com](mailto:lkodegard@msn.com)).



# LIBRARY NOTES



## Reader recommended:

### ***The Parallel Stories of Joseph and Jesus* by Grady Laxson**

*Parallel Stories* weaves a story of how Joseph portrays Jesus with a fictional account of a recently drowned man searching for the Bread of Heaven in order to get back to his body. The search and the parallels are fascinating.

C.H. travels back to Canaan to Jacob's tents and sees Joseph telling his brothers his dreams; then jumps ahead to Egypt to Pharaoh's court for the next 22 or so years, where he observes the events recorded in Genesis. Throughout C.H. has an angel, "Helper", who often quotes scripture to explain events and God's point of view whenever C.H. remembers to pray for help.

Everywhere stories emerge which point to Jesus. Laxson writes, "The story of Jesus cast a shadow back in time. The shadow came first, before that which cast it." I was amazed by how many points of congruency there are between the stories.

Joseph foreshadows Jesus; he also par-enthetically foreshadows John the Baptist. Joseph is the only person in the Bible whose faults are not described. Jesus and John are the only two born with the Holy Spirit already within them. Joseph does a brief cameo for John when the adulterous wife of Potiphar gets him thrown in jail just as the adulterous wife of Herod has John jailed.

I had never thought before of the im-portance of the occupations of Pharaoh's two servants imprisoned with Joseph. How-ever, in reading I realized it foreshadows the Lord's Supper. The baker, the bread, the body -- dies. The cupbearer, the wine, the Spirit -- lives.

Other parallels include: The meaning of the name that Pharaoh gives to Joseph perfectly fits both Joseph and Jesus. And Joseph is his brothers' savior, he provides bread so they may live; Jesus is our Savior, He provides us Bread so we may live. Both free, without cost.

Tying in the fictional story of C.H. with the Bible [mostly Genesis, Isaiah, the Gospels & Revelation], Laxson writes a very readable story with many points for thought and reflection. I highly recommend the book. -- Linda Lerum.

## Librarian Circuit Riders?!?

This one surprised me. It was never discussed in my library history courses! But, after our reading program featuring the circuit riders of early American church his-tory, I chuckled when I found ***Down Cut Shin Creek: The Pack Horse Librarians Of Kentucky***, by Kathi Appelt, on a list for junior readers.

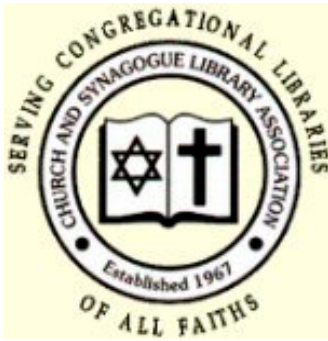
Written by a noted children's book author, this thoroughly researched book illustrated with period photos will provide adults with an informative half-hour, espec-ially anyone aware of the Cumberland mountains populated with isolated homes of independent people struggling on the brink of starvation during the Great Depression.

The Pack Horse Library Project was one of the WPA's most innovative programs. It created a desire for reading and learning in all who participated, operated in a difficult terrain under tremendous social pressures making usable reading materials from ragged, unwanted donations.

The librarians -- young, determined, earning just \$28 per month -- rode 18-mile circuits four days a week, taking a different route each day for two weeks; then repeat-ing the schedule. The book woman rode in freezing rain, snow, heat, alone over rocky hillsides or rushing creeks. She was just an ordinary woman, just doing what she could to make life a little better for her family. Take a time to read about her and about this little period of our history. -- Lois Ward.







**Outstanding Congregational Library** — CSLA honors a church or synagogue library which has responded in creative and innovative ways to the library's mission of reaching and serving members of the congregation and/or wider community. The Outstanding Congregational Library award was first given in 1975.

Criteria taken into consideration for this award are: frequent use by all ages of church or synagogue membership; be accessible and attractive with some elements of uniqueness; have up-to-date and varied materials; have resources other than books; serve all branches of the sponsoring church or synagogue; evidence growth and development in size and use.

### **2007 Award Winner:**

Nominated by Nanette Goings, Director of Christian Education, the **Faith Community Lutheran Library** of Longmont, Colorado, not only has an active, "amazing" collection of books, DVDs, and videos, it has become a "welcoming, state-of-the-art hub" of the church, bringing the congregation together and getting the members involved in their community.

Expansion and enhancement of Faith Community Lutheran's Library became possible when a new sanctuary and educational facilities were constructed, allowing growth in the collection from 816 items in 2003 to 2,754 items in 2006.

Volunteers participate in all phases of the library's operations, from selection, processing, cataloging (Concourse Book System) and shelving, through circulation. Materials in the library serve as resources for Christian education, Bible study, small group and special needs ministries, and outreach programs. They are also used by the pastors for reference and research.

During Summer 2006, library reading program participants earned "miles" of credit for delivering books to a Katrina-flooded Lutheran Sunday School in New Orleans. One of the letters supporting this nomination was written by a fourth-grade boy who described Faith Community's Librarian as "the everlastingly, little kid caring, and ever so kind Lois Ward."

# **F.L.Y.** (Faith Lutheran Youth)

## **Pages**

### **Where is the Youth Sign-up Board?**

I am so glad you asked that! It is located in the hallway outside the church office next to the bathrooms! All you need to know about the Youth Program is on this board. Thanks to those serving on our Youth Committee, this will be updated monthly by them as things come up!

### **WHAZ UP?**

Do you sometimes forget when an activity is? Do you listen at Fire Pit and then get home and say, "When is that Fall Retreat?" Well we have a "tool" for you! Yes, every month there will be a page called **"WHAZ UP"** and you can find it in the Youth Room, you can find it in an envelope on the Youth Board! All activities / Bible Studies / LOF rehearsals / committee reminders for the month will be listed on this sheet. You can take this home, tape it on your mirror, stick it on the fridge! If you are in Middle School or High School, please look for this page so you can too know **"WHAZ UP!"**

### **Middle School Regressive Dinner**

When: Sunday September 9

Time: 5-8:30pm

Meet: at the church in the parking lot!

Cost: Not a thing!

Sign up on the youth board today for this crazy, wacky, event where you eat your dessert first! We will be traveling via church van to members homes for dessert, main course and Appetizers! Bring a friend, Bring an appetite and be ready for some food, games and fun!

### **Senior High Fall Retreat "Building Community"**

When: September 28-30

Gathering Time: 5:00pm at church

Cost: \$50.00

Where: Sky Ranch Camp

All those in 9-12th grade interested in this weekend "get



away," please sign up on the Youth Board today. Your payment is due no later than Sunday September 23rd; please make checks out to FCLC. Come join us for a weekend of "building community" within our Youth Group. Large group games, small group discussions, singing, praying, making new friends and getting closer with those we already know is what this weekend is about! Any questions, contact Diane Sell at the church.

**Youth Committee** will meet in the Youth Room Tuesday September 11th beginning at 6:30pm. If you are on the committee and unable to make this meeting, make sure you call someone to replace you! We will have you report on how you have been doing with "making connections" and continue our plans for the year. Remember to bring your folders. Many thanks to Jason Irvin and Aaron Praska for sitting in on the first half of the council meeting to report on behalf of the youth! Thanks for stepping up guys!

### **TIM Team – Teens In Ministry –**

has been working hard in planning for the September WNL group! Plans are underway for our CRAZY OLYMPICS which will kick off our WNL night Wednesday September 12th at 6pm! When you see these kids around church, give them a pat on the back for the leadership that they are taking on this next year. Keep them in your prayers as they use the gifts that God has given them. If any other 9-10th grader is interested in joining our TIM team, you can do that at any time. Just speak with Diane Sell.

### **TIM Team Leaders**

#### **Titus Team** (Preschool ages)

★ Ruth Lerum

★ Simone Obrien

#### **Isaiah Team** (K-2nd)

★ Tara Jurgensmeyer

★ Lauren Tway

★ Nathan Schemmel

★ Jordan Lind

#### **Micah Team** (3rd-5th)

★ McKenna Inskeep

★ Malanie Roth

★ Connor Magyar

## **LOF – Leap of Faith Worship Team**

Rehearsals – Monday's September 10th and 24th  
Time: 7pm  
Where: Sanctuary

If you are interested in joining this music team this fall, please show up for the rehearsals! All Middle School and High School are welcome.

**FIRE PIT / FIRE UP!** will continue in September for the **High School group**. (Middle Schoolers are welcome during the summer months only... sorry friends!) Every Wednesday night beginning at 7:30pm and running an hour or so. If it is nice out, we will convene at the Fire Pit outside and do our thing there... if it is cold, we will move inside (Fire Up!) to the Youth Room.

This is a good time mid-week to check in with your friends from church and see how their week is going! John Christianson, Jeff Reimenschneider and Diane Sell will rotate in leadership of this weekly event. There will be some games, some small groups, some Bible focus time and prayer... oh, yeah, and there will probably be food, too! Bring a friend and come join us.



## **S.N.S – Saturday Night at Stover's**

When: Saturday September 1

Time: 7pm

Cost: not a thing! –0- zilch – nothing

This is a must! Have you seen this place? It is a Youth Group "playground"! Come and kick back do some chillin' and chattin'. You don't need a sign-up sheet for this, just come. It will be every 1st Saturday of the month following LOF leading worship on Saturday night!

## **Children's Message Puppets**

Do you have a hidden talent that you are not aware of? Yes! It is puppet drama! The 4th Sunday of every month is the morning that we give the Children's messages via Puppets. If this is something that you might be interested in, please see Diane and let her know. She will get you on a list and call you to do this fun ministry!

1st Week Children sermons are usually given by Youth. If this is something that interests you, see Diane as well for details on this.

## **WORKCAMP 2008**

Where: Blanding Utah

When: July 5-12th, 2008

Cost: \$560.00

I don't need to tell you how life changing Workcamp can be. You just need to listen to those who have attended. This is a strong tradition at FCLC and in planning your summer for next year please consider this trip in your plans. Sililo WooChing is the man to see if you want to go. We already have Youth signed up and deposit paid! Talk to your parents, talk to your friends and if you are interested connect up with Sililo today!

## **Fundraising for Trips**

Throughout the year you will have a number of chances to participate in fundraising. There is a committee being formed (as I write this) to figure out what we can do this next year to help defray the cost of your trips and/or events. Workcampers have this down well. They have been doing it for years, this year we want to extend our fundraising efforts to include all Youth who are entering the Middle School up through High School. Please keep your eyes and ears open for more information on this coming soon!

## **Lutheran College Tour**

Pastor Dan is leading a Lutheran College Tour this fall – October 25-29.

The tour includes:

- † Bethany College in Lindsborg, KS;
- † Midland College in Fremont, NE;
- † Dana College in Blair, NE;
- † Luther College in Decorah, IA;
- † St. Olaf College in Northfield, MN;
- † Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, MN.

The tour is open to any Senior High School students who are researching colleges and universities for their higher education.

The cost is \$50. Look for a sign-up sheet on the Youth bulletin board. Any questions, please contact Pastor Dan via phone or email [dan@fclc.org](mailto:dan@fclc.org).



**Pray, pray, pray...** do you wonder sometimes what you can do for our Youth? Are you unable to participate like you would like to due to circumstances? Our youth need your prayers daily.

- † Pray for safety in their daily life.
- † Pray for wisdom to make good choices.
- † Pray for God to show them their gifts and how to utilize them.
- † Pray for our Youth that they may be one in community here at FCLC.
- † Pray that they may be leaders for Christ in their schools and communities.
- † Pray that they may be welcoming to those who do not feel welcomed.

That is a gift that you can give daily.



***Many thanks and many blessings,  
Diane Sell***

## September Birthdays!



**September 1**  
Torge Goderstad  
Chuck Cullian  
Kathy Griffie  
Samuel Tuominen-  
Collins  
**September 2**  
Henry Dukart  
Connor Timms  
**September 3**  
Alice Cuba  
Lanette Smallwood  
Wendy Fott  
**September 4**  
Emily Johnson  
**September 5**  
Caroline Demosthenes  
**September 6**  
Bob Barton  
Keith Anderson  
Tracy Ashmore  
**September 8**  
Mark Praska  
Austin Jurgensmeyer  
Wyatt Prentice

**September 9**  
Jessica Foster  
Celine Cantu  
Erin Griffie  
Cooper Rothe  
Abigail Koschade  
Graham Schuman  
**September 11**  
George Goble  
Michael Kleiman  
Logan Audley  
**September 12**  
John Timms  
**September 13**  
Harvey Jackson  
Kimberly Bonds  
Andrew Meier  
**September 14**  
Bob Mueller  
Kristen Schuman  
Trevor Platt  
Emily Stamp  
**September 17**  
Cheryl Johnson  
Erik Polsdofer

**September 18**  
George Lubovich  
Connor Ire  
**September 19**  
Ken Lowry  
Yvonne Alm  
Rebecca Lewus  
**September 20**  
Mary Bauman  
**September 21**  
Brigitte Hennig  
Karsten Goderstad  
Anthony Endres  
**September 22**  
Roy Ward  
Carol Marks  
Gail Cullian  
Christy Adams  
Annette Carlson  
Rachel Kramer  
**September 23**  
Katherine Spencer  
Inskeep  
Sarah Mallard

**September 24**  
Mike Gwinn  
Dave Droege  
Michelle Hansen  
Max Krafczyyk  
**September 25**  
Lisa Bleeker  
**September 26**  
Audrey Audley  
Rachael Hassa  
**September 27**  
Lois Ward  
Jill Krantz  
Jennifer Tatham  
Adam Tway  
Jasmine Lovell  
**September 28**  
Cindy Bauman  
Harlan Lerum  
**September 29**  
Ann Yost  
Mike Sloan  
**September 31**  
Lois Giese  
Terri Cogdill

# WORSHIP TEAM CORNER

## Featured song for September:

"Speak, O Lord, as we come to you  
To receive the food of Your Holy Word  
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith  
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us  
All your purposes for Your glory"



by Diane Sell

We will be introducing new music this fall. The best way to do this, we find, is to sing a song every Sunday for a month. September brings us a new 'Gospel verse.' We sang this song as prelude music a few times in August; hopefully, you have indeed heard it! This is a beautiful, simple tune that you will find yourself humming through the week. We hope you enjoy it, and are inspired by it!

Many blessings,  
-Diane Sell



## Women of Faith Conference

**Amazing Freedom** September 21-22 2007

Location: The Pepsi Center

### Conference Update!

Many thanks to all of you ladies who have signed up and given me checks for this amazing event Friday and Saturday September 21 and 22.

Some of you who expressed your interest have not paid yet; so if you still want to attend, PLEASE get me your check for \$55 no later than Sunday September 9! I have 34 paid seats and have room for two more cooshy seats! (We can accommodate up to 50 in our press box, but the seat is not as "cooshy.")

**BIG NEWS!** Your \$55 **does** include the pre-conference with Beth Moore! How great is that? Yup, I just received the phone call from Lisa Whittaker at the Pepsi Center who said that they changed it for this year! So, if you were interested in going to the day conference as well, you do not have to pay the additional fee! I will be receiving tickets in the mail this week and will distribute them as I get them. If you have NOT heard from me by next Wednesday, please call me at 303-489-2923 and let's schedule a time for you to get your ticket(s). If you are interested in car pooling, I have listed the names of the women attending and you can connect up with one of them for rides.

Snacks/lunches will be located right outside our press box at a catering table for the entire weekend, so you do not have to go far for refreshments or nourishment! But please note that there are restaurants near by and in the Pepsi Center where you can break to eat. Any questions, please call me!

Many thanks, Diane Sell

Below are the names that I have attending based on their payment.

- |                                   |                               |                     |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1.Denise Lauerman                 | 13.Helenbeth Deitrich         | 24.Mary Hoft        |
| 2.Kaydene Hubert                  | 14.RaeMarie (Helenbeth's Mom) | 25.Becky Mueller    |
| 3.Stephanie Demosthenes           | 15.Heather Gomez              | 26.Sue Crawford     |
| 4.Michelle Kramer                 | 16.Rhonda Rose Hong           | 27.Gerri Eagleton   |
| 5.Stephanie Mason                 | 17.Judy Krazeman              | 28.Deb Roybal       |
| 6.Marcie Mason                    | 18.Margaret Hiller            | 29.Lori Reneau      |
| 7-8.Martha and Gail (with Marcie) | 19.Jama Senkel                | 30.Georgia Crosby   |
| 9.Joanne Bertelson                | 20.Pat Galyardt               | 31.Julie Olson      |
| 10. Joanne's friend               | 21.Loralee Underwood          | 32.Diane Sell       |
| 11.Sheryl Tevebaugh               | 22.Loralee's Friend           | 33.Tami Musfeldt    |
| 12.Deb Dabkowski                  | 23.Lisa Wilson                | 34.Julia Rosenstein |

## All about Administration

from Susan Moller  
Director of Business Administration

### About.....Update on FCLC Finances

July was the second highest general giving month that we have had in our church history. Wow! God certainly has provided after May and June were both lower than normal. We are now at approximately 87% of our budget, and our general offering currently exceeds our expenses by about \$3,600 (as of August 14). Thank you for your generosity.

### About.....Fall Stewardship

Mark your calendars for October 14, 2007, for a very special stewardship event. (Don't worry, the Stewardship Committee checked the Broncos schedule before setting the date!) Sometime before that, you will be receiving a letter in the mail with information about your 2008 Estimate of Giving. Please prayerfully consider what God wants you to do in this area. I thank God for Faith Community's many blessings that continue with a congregation that is so generous in contributing time, talents and treasures.

### About.....Simply Giving and Credit Card Donations

If you haven't considered *Simply Giving* yet, please do. It is an automated giving program, sponsored by Thrivent Financial, that helps you conveniently contribute to FCLC through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account OR your credit card. You determine the frequency of your automatic gift (weekly, semi-monthly or monthly). If you have any questions about this program, there will be a table set up on Rally Sunday, September 9th. We will also have sign-up forms for your convenience.

### About..... Our New Education Wing Loan

We were able to pay \$20,000 extra toward our loan principal this month. The current balance is \$112,207. Our goal is to have the loan on this project paid off by December 2007.



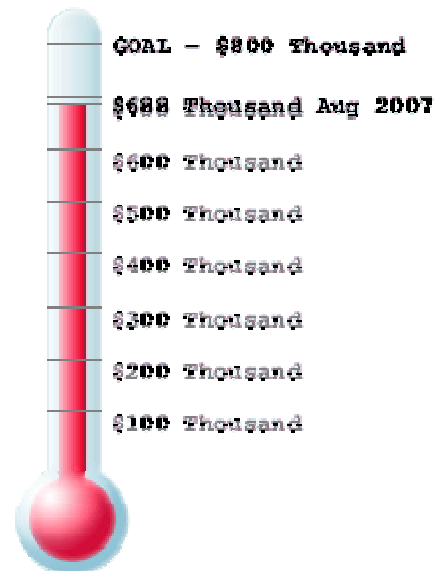
by Susan Moller

TOTAL Project Cost  
is **\$800,000**

Project began  
**January 2005**

**\$687,778** has  
been paid  
through  
**August 16, 2007**

**Blessings,**  
**Susan**  
**Church office #:**  
**303-776-8771**  
**susan@fclc.org**



## Moms & More

### Fellowship Group at Faith Community Lutheran Church

Join Us *Every* Wednesday Morning  
From 9:30 – 11 a.m.

**For Bible Study\*, Fellowship, and Fun!**

On-site Childcare Provided

For more information contact:

Stephanie Demosthenes

**stephdemo@hotmail.com**

Mandy Wormke

**mwormke@comcast.net**

*\*Note: Come join us! We'll be starting a new bible study in September!*



## ***From the administrative assistant's keyboard...***

*In His service,  
Janelle Olson*



**I have a collection...** of various items in the office.

1. Four individual earrings
2. Four pair of sunglasses
3. A confirmand's scrapbook page from May of this year

**In the kitchen...** If you do not pick up your item(s), they will become property of the FCLC kitchen; these items will be given away or tossed or kept for use in the kitchen:

1. Two 9x9 Tupperware containers with the name: Criswell
2. One glass dinner or cookie plate – no name
3. One white Gibson platter/dinner plate – no name
4. One charger plate with the name: Marshall
5. One hot pink tray and one white round tray with the name: McDermid
6. One round Rubbermaid bowl (22 cups) without a cover
7. One rectangular Rubbermaid container with cover (17 cups)
8. Numerous bowls that contained salads for a memorial service: Goble, Holstine; a red bowl; a white plastic bowl with fruit imprints at top edge; a clear plastic bowl; one plastic Take-Along with cover.

### **And in the coatroom / mailroom...**

1. There are several plastic and metal coffee travel mugs above the mailboxes in the coatroom. They will also be donated if you do not pick them up.
2. Check the hangers for coats, sweatshirts, toys, books that you forgot about or can't locate at home.

Thank you for helping us to keep our church building neat, clean, and tidy!

### **The Communicator and the bulletin**

There are a number of ladies who are faithful in serving behind the scenes on a weekly and/or monthly basis. I would be spending

many more hours in the church office if they didn't volunteer their time.

I want to take this time to say ***Thank You*** to them.

Did you ever wonder who folds the bulletins every week?

- † Linda Parker
- † Cookie Olsen
- † Ann Whitefoot
- † Sue McCormick

Do you wonder who prepares the newsletters? This is a monthly publication.

- † Who provides articles? Council and Staff. If any of you would like to share something, please contact me, janelle@fclc.org or call 303-776-8771
- † Proofreading – Kerry Kleiman
- † Formatting and layout – Marcie Mason
- † Collating, folding, stapling, labeling – Though not all are available every month, these ladies have worked to get the newsletter out the door: Linda Parker, Marsha Tollefson, Ann Whitefoot, Hilde Lowry, Carolyn Yanoski, Janice Stugelmeyer, Kayla Smith, Brigitte Hennig, Kirsten Simpson, Kathe Schelert, Judy Conradson, Joan Schell, Carole Freeman

### **When you move...**

Please call or send your new mailing address or phone numbers or email addresses when you move. Every newsletter that is returned with address changes costs the church \$.58; and it costs \$.41 on returned offering envelopes. Thank you for helping me to keep our member database current.

# Fellowship News

## Softball Success...

"This was just what we needed!"

"Thanks for organizing a team."

"What great fun it was getting to know new faces."

"Where are we going after the game?"

For 13 weeks this summer, 18 of us had a blast playing coed softball each Friday evening. We spanned almost 35 years in age and it was a great mix of players. Some of us were beginners, while others were seasoned veterans of the game; but no matter what, we all had great fun and fellowship. AND, it didn't hurt that we ended the season with a 10-3 record!

Thanks to Kristy Moore for being our captain and keeping us on track each week and to all those who came out and cheered for us! .... think about joining us next year.

## Fall Happenings...

Mark your calendars for Friday, October 5th,

7 - 11 pm; our annual **adult dance** will take place once again in the Lounge at Centennial Lanes. Check your email and the bulletin this month for more details.

## Bon Appétit!! New Dinner Groups are Forming Now

- ❖ Do you like to meet new people?
- ❖ Do you like delicious food?
- ❖ Do you enjoy great conversation?

Then FCLC's Bon Appétit Dinner Groups are just the thing for you. New groups are being formed for 2007-2008, so watch for the sign-up sheet in mid September. Already involved? Remember to re-register to keep your current group and/or to be placed with a new group. Don't miss out!!!

Please call Sally Meier  
303-938-8680, or  
Kaydene Hubert 303-651-  
9479, if you have any  
questions about the Bon Appétit groups.



## Prayer Shawl Ministry at Faith

We have recently launched a new ministry here at Faith Community. It is part of a national program called "Shawl Ministry." To read about it, go to [www.shawlministry.com](http://www.shawlministry.com). The Bible verse we use is from Psalm 139:13-14:

*"You created every part of me, knitting me in my mother's womb. For such handiwork I praise you. Awesome this great wonder!"*

About thirty ladies at Faith have volunteered to make shawls--knitted, crocheted, woven or quilted. These will be given to any member, non-member, relative or friend of members who is in need of comfort during a difficult trial in life. Each shawl is prayed over while under construction, by the one making it. The group then prays for the recipients of each completed shawl, as we lay hands on it. The final blessing for the shawl is given by one of our pastors before it is sent on its way.

At the time this article is being written, we have approximately eighteen shawls in progress. We have already given out four to members with a couple more to go out this month. We meet the fourth Monday of each month, at 9:00

a.m., in Sunset Room 230. We welcome anyone interested in learning how to make shawls--we will teach you how to knit or crochet-- or just come and see our projects and pray with us. It's a great opportunity to get better acquainted too!

If you know of someone in need of solace and a symbol of God's wrapping his arms around them, you can let any member of the group know of the need, or call or email either of the Co-Chairs. If we don't currently have one available, we will put that person on the waiting list in the order it's received.

We agreed to cover the cost of material ourselves but we always welcome donations of yarn. We received a very generous donation from a member of Faith to cover our mailing expenses for awhile, for which we are most grateful. We pray this will be an on-going ministry at Faith for years to come.

Marsha Tollefson, 303-651-2354, [tollys2@msn.com](mailto:tollys2@msn.com)  
Carole Freeman, 303-772-1949, [s.c.freeman@att.net](mailto:s.c.freeman@att.net)



*God's spirit is on me. He chose me to preach the message of Good News to the poor, sent me to announce the pardon of prisoners and recovery of sight to the blind, to set the burdened and battered free, to announce, "This is God's year to act!" Luke 4:18-19*

## Catch the Spirit!

### Council Corner

#### Executive Committee:

President:	Jill Krantz	<a href="mailto:jkkconnect@hotmail.com">jkkconnect@hotmail.com</a>
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Our Council Members and Church Staff are always available to listen to the ideas and concerns of our members. Your input is invaluable in aiding the leadership of Faith Community Lutheran in determining the direction we should go in fulfilling God's mission for us. We welcome you to take part and share your vision.

- Council minutes are public record and kept in the Church Office.
- Council meets the second Tuesday of every month at 8pm. Meetings are open to the congregation.
- If you would like to be involved in any of the ministries listed above, contact the ministry chair.

#### FCLC Pastors & Staff:

<b>Pastors:</b>	Dan Hansen	<a href="mailto:dan@fcl.org">dan@fcl.org</a>
	Bruce Welander	<a href="mailto:bruce@fcl.org">bruce@fcl.org</a>

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# Endowment Fund News

The Endowment Fund Board announces that there will be funds available for distribution in January of 2008. This distribution shall be made with particular emphasis on enhancing and extending the life and mission of the congregation, which may include support for: domestic and foreign missions; scholarships; professional staff for special seminars; community projects; Via de Cristo; Mexico mission. The Board will be accepting applications for funds through December 31, 2007. Applications may be picked up from the church office.

Got questions? Ask one of these persons:

Roger Olsen, John Meier, Tracy Rothe, Kelly Marshall, Karla Irvin

## Church Council News

The Church Council is seeking dedicated individuals to fill the following council positions for two-year terms beginning in January 2008:

### Officers (Executive Committee):

- † President
- † Treasurer

### Ministry Chairs:

- † Education
- † Pastoral Care
- † Property
- † Youth

Please contact Roger Olsen, Jill Krantz or Pastor Dan with any questions and/or to put your name on the ballot.

Roger Olsen,  
Vice President & Nominating Committee Chair



## Mission Verse

God's Spirit is on me:  
He chose me to preach the  
Message of Good News to the  
poor, Sent me to announce  
pardon of prisoners and  
recovery of sight to the blind,  
To set the burdened and  
battered free, to announce,  
"This is God's year to act!"

*Luke 4:18-19*

## Our Vision

*In each of us burns a flame  
so we gather in faith and  
hope to reach out in love.*



## Our Core Values

**To "Reach Out in Love"  
as a church that is:**

- \* Bible-centered
- \* Prayer-centered
- \* Worship-centered with blended  
styles of music
- \* Kid-Friendly
- \* Visitor-Friendly
- \* A Model of the Priesthood  
of Believers
- \* A Model of "First Fruits Giving"  
(to various outreach projects)

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